

<u>Group</u>	<u>Claims</u>
I	1 to 14, 16, 18, 20 to 33, 35, 37, 39 to 52, 54, 56, 58 to 71, 73, 75 and 77 to 83, directed to a camera controlled by means of an external unit (Class 348/207.11); and
II	15, 17, 19, 34, 36, 38, 53, 55, 57, 72, 74 and 76, directed to a camera connected to a printer (Class 348/207.2).

With respect to the invention of Group I, the Examiner also has entered an election of species requirement. Specifically, the Examiner has identified the following two independent and distinct species:

<u>Species:</u>	<u>Figures</u>
I	27 and 29; and
II	30

In response, Applicant provisionally elects with traverse to prosecute the subject matter of Group I and Specie I (Figures 27 and 29) in the present application. Applicant submits that Claims 1 to 10, 16, 18, 20 to 29, 35, 37, 39 to 48, 54, 56, 58-67, 73, 75 and 77 to 83 read on the elected Group I and Specie I.

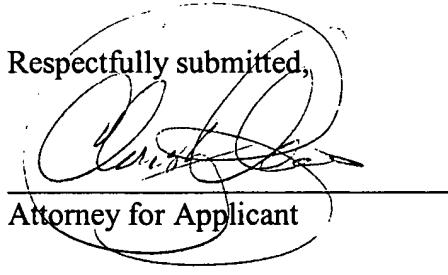
Applicant reserves all rights to the subject matter recited in non-elected Claims 15, 17, 19, 34, 36, 38, 53, 55, 57, 72, 74 and 76.

Applicant respectfully traverses the Restriction Requirement and Election of Species Requirement. Without conceding the Examiner's characterization of the claimed invention, Applicant notes that the claims of Groups I and II are classified in the same Class and significant Subclass (207), and believes that a thorough search of the relevant art for Group I and Specie I will require substantial consideration of the art relevant to Group II and Group I, Species II. Separate search and examination by separate Examiners in separate applications may lead to duplicate work and inconsistent results. Applicant

submits that the subject matter of Groups I and II, and Species I and II are closely related, and that it would be administratively and economically preferable to search and examine all of the claims/species together. Accordingly, Applicant requests that the Restriction Requirement and Election of Species Requirement be withdrawn and that all pending claims be examined in the present application.

Applicant believes that the present paper is fully responsive to each of the points raised by the Examiner in the Official Action. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the Restriction Requirement and Election Of Species Requirement, and consideration on the merits of all pending claims at the Examiner's earliest convenience earnestly are solicited.

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